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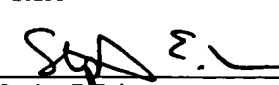
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed August 21, 2000, enclosed are:

1. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
2. An executed Declaration for Patent Application (3 pages);
3. A Power of Attorney by Assignee (2 pages);
4. A Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status (1 page);
5. Check No. 453439 in the amount of \$410.00; and

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I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on <u>9/14/00</u> , in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231	
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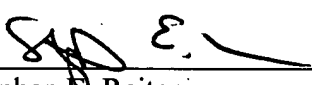
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Respectfully submitted,

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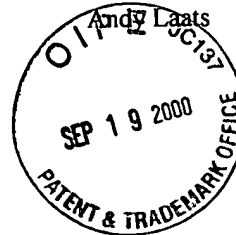
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 820.

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